

# California-Southern California Wildfires (Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura) March 24, 2025

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Press releases as of Mar 24, 2025:

Press release on Mar 21, 2025

"LA fires cleanup on-track as fastest major cleanup in American history continues with new milestones 10 days left to apply for assistance and no-cost debris removal for Los Angeles fire survivors

LOS ANGELES – The cleanup following the Los Angeles fires is on track to be the fastest in American history as 475 crews roar ahead, working around the clock, to swiftly and safely clean up ash, soot, and damaged buildings from the deadly Eaton and Palisades fires.

To date, 1,300 parcels have been cleared of debris, and 507 have been returned to the county by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The rapid pace of this cleanup makes it even more critical for survivors to apply for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and to <u>complete a Right-of-Entry</u> (ROE) form for no-cost debris removal. There are now just 10 days left before the March 31 deadline.

State and federal agencies cleared ash and debris from the first 1,300 properties in just over 70 days, demonstrating the unprecedented pace of this cleanup operation. To put this into perspective, clearing 920 properties in similar terrain after the 2019 Woolsey and Hill fires took crews over four months — a record at

the time." Read more: <u>LA fires cleanup on-track as fastest major cleanup in</u> American history continues with new milestones | Governor of California

Press release on January 12, 2025:

"Governor Newsom signs executive order to help Los Angeles rebuild faster and stronger

Waives CEQA and Coastal Act requirements for reconstruction, extends law against price gouging

What you need to know: Governor Gavin Newsom today issued an executive order to streamline the rebuilding of homes and businesses destroyed in the recent Southern California firestorms.

LOS ANGELES — Governor Gavin Newsom today signed an executive order to suspend permitting and review requirements under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the California Coastal Act to allow victims of the recent fires to restore their homes and businesses faster.

"'When the fires are extinguished, victims who have lost their homes and businesses must be able to rebuild quickly and without roadblocks. The executive order I signed today will help cut permitting delays, an important first step in allowing our communities to recover faster and stronger. I've also ordered our state agencies to identify additional ways to streamline the rebuilding and recovery process."'

Governor Gavin Newsom

The executive order issued by Governor Newsom will:

- Suspend CEQA review and California Coastal Act permitting for reconstruction of properties substantially damaged or destroyed in recent Southern California wildfires.
- Direct state agencies to identify additional permitting requirements, including provisions of the Building Code, that can safely be suspended or streamlined to accelerate rebuilding and make it more affordable.
- Extend protections against price gouging on building materials, storage services, construction, and other essential goods and services to January 7, 2026, in Los Angeles County.
- Commit to working with the Legislature to identify statutory changes that can help expedite rebuilding while enhancing wildfire resilience and safety.

Governor Newsom will continue to work administratively and with the Legislature to help those affected by the recent fires rebuild what they have lost. A copy of the executive order can be found <a href="https://example.com/here.">here</a>."

# Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services 601 Sequoia Pacific Blvd Sacramento, CA 95811 (916) 894-5209

<u>California Governor's Office of Emergency Services | California's Emergency Services | Leader</u>

Cal OES - YouTube Cal OES - Facebook

To view County Emergency Management Agencies, visit <u>Planning & Preparedness | California Governor's Office of Emergency Services</u>.

Social media post on March 23, 2025:

"Affected by the wildfires in <u>County of Los Angeles</u>? You may qualify for assistance from <u>FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency</u> and <u>U.S. Small Business Administration</u> regardless of the extent of damage, loss, or your insurance.

More information at <a href="https://wp.me/pd8T7h-11E0">https://wp.me/pd8T7h-11E0</a>"

Social media posts on January 15, 2025:

"California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, in partnership with California Department of Water Resources and local governments, are continuing to work to ensure Californians impacted by wildfires have access to shelters and other resources in County of Los Angeles. Visit Shelters Available for Communities Impacted by Wildfires in Southern California | Cal OES News."

"@Cal OES, in partnership with @fema and @countyofLA, has opened two Disaster Recovery Centers in Los Angeles to provide a one-stop-shop of state, federal and local resources for survivors of the hurricane-force firestorm. Learn more: Los Angeles County Disaster Recovery Centers Are Open for Hurricane-Force Firestorm Survivors | Cal OES News."

Additional resources below may help track updates for the wildfires:

California State 2025 Los Angeles Fires Website 2025 Los Angeles Fires | CA.gov

#### Cal Fire Website

#### Office of the State Fire Marshal | OSFM

- Cal Fire 3D Interactive Incident Map: <u>3D Incident Map</u>
- Cal Fire Hazard Severy Zone Map: Fire Hazard Severity Zone Viewer LRA

The Watch Duty App
Watch Duty - Wildfire Maps & Alerts

#### **American Red Cross**

American Red Cross Los Angeles Region
1450 S Central Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90021
(310) 445-9908
Los Angeles Region | California | American Red Cross
Red Cross Los Angeles (@RedCrossLA) / X
American Red Cross Los Angeles Region | Los Angeles CA | Facebook

#### **Central California Region (Covers Ventura County)**

836 Calle Plano Camarillo, CA 93012 (805) 987-1514

Pacific Coast | Central California Region | American Red Cross

Red Cross Central California (@RedCrossCCR) / X

American Red Cross Central California Region | Camarillo CA | Facebook

Please see the following link for the most updated information on available shelters: Disaster Shelters | Find Shelters | American Red Cross

#### **Additional Resources**

#### Communication:

AT&T Mobile Connectivity Center (MCC)

24250 Pacific Coast Highway, 10am-3pm.

Provide access to Wi-FI, computers, and chargers.

AT&T Providing Relief to Those Affected by California Fires (Effective 01/13 – 03/31)

#### Pets Lost and Found:

Pasadena Humane Society

361 S. Raymond Ave

Pasadena, CA 91105

#### Eaton Fire Animal Assistance - Pasadena Humane

To report found, lost, or animals left behind in the Eaton area fire, please call Eaton Fire Animal Rescue Hotline at 626-577-3752.

# **Department of Transportation**

Caltrans: California Department of Transportation

1120 N Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

(916) 654-2852

California Department of Transportation | Caltrans

Facebook: Caltrans
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To view current road conditions, visit **QuickMap** (ca.gov).

# **United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines**

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211.

211 LA

Please visit the website or dial 2-1-1 to locate additional resources.

Home | 211LA

211 LA is also assisting Airbnb, Hilton Hotels and American Express with locating free hotel rooms for those residents displaced by the fires. Please visit the website and search "Emergency Housing Assistance for Wildfire Survivors" or go to Emergency Services Request to determine eligibility for assistance.

# Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) – 24/7 Disaster Distress Helpline

(800) 985-5990

Offers a 24-hour toll-free, multilingual crisis support line to U.S. residents who are experiencing emotional strain because of natural or human-caused disasters.

# Mental and Physical Health Resources

Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741

#### California Hope

Crisis counseling available.

Please call 833-317-4673 or visit <u>CalHOPE Home</u>. For Spanish, please call 833-642-7696.

AHAVA Pharmacy Emergency refills are being provided. 8835 W Pico Blvd LA 90035 Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm 310-299-8079

#### Teledoc Health

Free, 24/7 virtual medical care to all Southern California residents impacted.

855-255-5032 Disaster Hotline

#### **Deaf Counseling Center**

Free Support Group for Deaf Survivors of the wildfires offered.

Text 240-701-5155 or email info@deafcounseling.com for Zoom link.

Tuesdays at 5pm PST, began 1/14/25.

# Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362

#### FEMA.gov

Please visit the website and click on "Disaster Declarations". If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: <a href="Individual Assistance">Individual Assistance</a> | FEMA.gov to apply online.

Currently, FEMA has opened 2 Disaster Recovery Centers in the area.

#### UCLA Research Park West:

10850 West Pico Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90064

Hours of operation: Daily, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### Pasadena City College Community Education Center:

3035 East Foothill Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91106

Hours of operation: Daily, 9am-8pm.

These locations can help apply for disaster relief loans and referrals for mental health counseling. They can also assist those who have lost vital records such as birth certificates, death certificates, driver's licenses, and social security cards.

#### **Insurance Assistance**

State Farm has declared they will renew any policyholders impacted if they had policies as of January 7.

Catastrophe Customer Care Sites have been opened at the addresses below to assist customers with claims and general questions.

Home Depot parking lot 12975 2800 W Jefferson Blvd Los Angeles, CA Daily, 8am-6pm.

Former Volvo Parking lot 1999 E Colorado Blvd Pasadena, CA Daily, 8am-6pm.

California Department of Insurance will also be at the Disaster Recovery Center located at Pasadena City College to answer any insurance questions and help understand policies.

Walk-ins will be on a first-come-first-serve basis on January 25 from 10am-5pm or January 26 from 10am-1pm. You may also call CDI'S Hotline at 1-800-927-4357 to schedule a one-on-one appointment.

# DisasterAssistance.gov

#### Home | disasterassistance.gov

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: <u>Search Your Location | FEMA.gov</u>

# **American Red Cross National**

(800) 733-2767

American Red Cross | Help Those Affected by Disasters

# **National Weather Service**

Weather alerts by state are available at: Active Alerts (weather.gov).

# **The Weather Channel**

Local forecasts and severe weather. Please call or visit the website to locate your local chapter and open shelters.

National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The Weather Channel and weather.com.

#### **Safe Travel USA**

<u>SafeTravelUSA</u>

# **National Traffic And Road Closure Information**

National Traffic and Road Closure Information | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)

# **Free Help Line**

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at https://www.liveandworkwell.com.